

534,000 TINY EARS AWAIT SCHOOL BELLS

277,000 Children Enrolled for Opening of Year in Phila- delphia Friday

LESS ON PART TIME

Thousands of children returned to this city today after a long summer vacation to get ready for another strenuous term in the public schools which open Friday.

During the two intervening days they will have opportunity to rid their minds of adventures encountered during their rest and get in receptive mood for the necessary tasks ahead of the start to take part of the constantly increasing numbers.

Figures show that approximately 277,000 pupils have been enrolled, of whom 4000 are new. The list of new pupils breaks all previous records and is nearly double that of last year.

In addition to the more than 200 schools now ready for the great army of children, eight more are being opened in various sections of the city to take care of the constantly increasing numbers.

Following requests from various sections of the city, a new school, the Ferguson, was built at Seventh and Norris streets, and one new high school, four junior high schools and two annexes are now in course of erection.

The new high school, which will be used as a junior high school in the borough and will be completed in a few weeks. The new junior high is being erected at Twenty-fourth and Jackson.

Thirteenth and Lombard streets, Fifth and fourth streets and Washington avenue and Sixth, fifth street and Land-nose avenue.

During the summer seventy-seven schools have been renovated. The work done constitutes only a part of the \$10,000,000 building program which the Board of Education decided on more than a year ago.

In addition to the new buildings, many old ones will be put under contract soon for continuance of the building program.

About this time every year there are hundreds of children on part time. When school closed in June it was learned that there were about 35,000 pupils in this classification, but with the completion of the summer in course of erection this figure will be reduced by many thousands.

A member of the board in discussing the part-time plan of the school corporation said that many persons had a peculiar point of view regarding this. He pointed out that most of the pupils who were on part time were of the younger class.

He stated that at this time three or four hours a day of schooling was ample.

DAVE BERGER WINS BADGE AS AUTOMOBILE WATCHMAN

Stationed at Eighth and Chestnut Sts., Boy Guards Diners' Cars

The circus of constant watchfulness brought its own reward yesterday when Dave Berger's ninth seventeen-year-old child was decorated with a shining badge and he was duly made a full fledged special automobile watchman.

Dave is stationed at Eighth and Chestnut streets, where he keeps watch on the motor cars of those who dine at Green's Hotel.

For twelve hours he stands guard on Sundays and on weekdays he goes to work at 8 o'clock in the morning and remains until about 10 or 11. Dave has several regular customers, and he makes between \$10 and \$15, depending upon the generosity of his clients. That goes to supporting the father of his home, 322 South Fifth street.

AUTO TOURISTS AT SCENE OF STORM DESTRUCTION

Many People Near Phoenixville, Where Crops Were Levelled

Phoenixville, Pa., Sept. 5.—Hundreds of automobile tourists yesterday visited the scene of the country several miles west of this town where a recent storm struck a series of destruction about a mile wide. The plain crops that covered hundreds of acres were destroyed. Many roads are still washed shut to the depth of several feet. The field corn is now rotting in the fields as the heavy stones bear it flat to the ground.

Trees are stripped of both leaves and branches. Four barns were unroofed and five silos were blown over. Hundreds of windows were broken, and the hail stones were picked up thirty-six hours after the storm.

First Edison Plant Decorated

New York, Sept. 5.—Frank A. Wardlaw and Francis J. Lee, two Edison pioneers, who were with the inventor when he was still an obscure experimenter, celebrated the fortieth birthday of commercial electric lighting yesterday by making a pilgrimage to the site of the first Edison station, 255 and 257 Pearl street, and hanging beneath the bronze tablet which marks that historic spot, a wreath of laurel.

Little Benny's Note Book

By Lee Pope

Yesterday was Nora's day off and nobody wanted to go out, saying, "Ben, I don't want you to leave the house, I'll tell your sister Gladys comes here, I want somebody to be here in case my packages come."

Mine Chiefs See Coal Coming Fast

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The union president was asked if a reasonable distribution of coal would be assured soon.

"I thought Hoover was going to attend to that," he said, smiling. "Won't the miners take any interest in their work?" he was asked.

The mine leader's jaw shot out at the question. "The American miner produces three times as much coal a day as the mines of any other country," he said.

"How soon can the householders expect a reasonable supply?" was asked of Mr. Lewis, settled himself back of the wheel and adjusted the gears.

"This morning I am not making any predictions," was his reply. "Do you think there will be a coal famine?"

"If you can get a ton of coal in two or three weeks, you write me a personal letter," was his parting remark as the motor purred and the car began moving.

Confident of Ratification

Mr. Lewis and other leaders are confident that the strike settlement will be ratified by the miners at the industrial convention. Some opposition, however, is regarded as inevitable.

The opposition is expected to come from the radical element in the ranks of the miners and is more political than otherwise.

Secretary Hoover is expected to come to Philadelphia in the near future to confer with operators and miners, to form an emergency organization along the same lines as was used for handling the coal to control the distribution and reserves of coal.

It is expected that householders will be given as much coal as possible in order to insure them a supply of winter fuel.

If the message goes back to work next week, there will be no anthracite famine this winter, dealers here say, although they may have to apportion coal carefully.

There is bound to be a shortage of fuel for domestic purposes, said a member of the H. F. Bennett firm, 15 North Second street, who said that although there will be no famine, in his opinion all those who used coal and who have the money to buy it will get it.

The message, the man who usually has charge of the traffic, said at the time may have to take ten tons and wait a little while for the rest, but the family that needs only eight or nine tons will have little difficulty getting it. The coal will remain about the same. There is no justification for an increase at this time. Anthracite will not go lower, however.

The management of William M. Ford Company, at Twenty-ninth street and Ridge avenue, is optimistic.

"Things look very much brighter," said a member of the firm. "The yards are full of orders, however, and about the only available size for sale is ten." Some of the yards are holding a few tons of domestic sizes in reserve for orders that absolutely need to keep going.

It will take at least two weeks to start the flow from the mines outward after the mines get back to work. This will give the people ample time to buy in their stocks. Prices will not be increased.

Plenty of Coal Operators

A representative of the operators who took a ride between Reading and Philadelphia, a distance of eight miles, a few days ago said today that every mine, every spur and every entrance to a mine was filled with coal cars.

There are thousands of them, and as each one holds an average of fifty tons, he said this would assure quick shipment of all coal produced.

In addition to the number of cars in the yards before the strike, the Reading Railroad has bought a number of new cars and the Lehigh Valley line it is said, has more cars than it will really need.

The miners can produce from 300,000 to 350,000 tons of coal daily when going at their regular pace. This average may not be reached during the first few days after resumption of work for the reason that the coal is not in the mine and there in the mines and the men are somewhat "soft" as a result of the long lay-off.

A representative of the operators said there would be no excuse whatever for an increase in the price of coal. The operators say there will be an equitable plan of distribution.

RAILROADS TO RUSH SHIPMENTS OF COAL

New York, Sept. 5.—Railroads will move hard coal as fast as it is mined, leaving rail executives announced yesterday in answer to the declaration of anthracite men that this fuel will be coming into New York and other markets in full stream within a month if the roads can haul it.

Spokesmen for the seven major anthracite carriers gave unreserved assurance of 100 per cent transportation support to the coal companies in probably the stiffest race with Jack Frost they have ever run to succeed an interrupted supply.

"We will have no difficulty in moving all the fuel offered," said L. F. Lora, president of the Delaware and Hudson Company, one of the leading carriers from the hard-coal fields.

"We will have the cars when the mine operators have the coal," announced E. M. Rine, vice president and general manager of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company.

Both executives predicted maximum mine production would be reached sooner than a month, and said they expected to see it as early as ten days to two weeks.

Shenandoah, Pa., Sept. 5.—Preparations are in full swing here for early resumption of mining. Mules that have enjoyed a vacation since April 1 are being lowered into the pits and fresh being kindled under boilers that have not shown signs of life for several months.

Repairs are being speeded up at all operations. Local's "ated M. M. Works are electing delegates today to the convention which opens tomorrow in Wilkes-Barre and the sentiment is that the proposal accepted by President Lewis and the Seale Committee will be ratified.

WRITS SERVED IN SHORE WAR ON VICE

Officers Busy Rounding Up Law Breakers Indicted by Grand Jury

ONLY "SMALL FRY" CAUGHT

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger
Atlantic City, Sept. 5.—Process servers are busy today gathering in the 150 or more persons indicted last Thursday by the Atlantic City Grand Jury. The dragnet has been spread in the shore resorts vice clean-up, and County Judge William H. Smathers announces he will sit until all arrests have been made.

Judge Smathers is holding court in his office in the Guarantee Trust Company's Building. Sixty arrests had been made in an early morning hour, and the hearing rooms are filled with those caught in the roundup.

The matter of arranging for bonds for the accused is proceeding with unusual rapidity, and few, if any, will spend time in jail.

While the process servers in Atlantic City were busy the Grand Jury in session at Man's Landing was preparing to hand down another batch of indictments. It is reported that more than 200 persons will be arrested throughout the county.

The lists contain only the names of small fry. No big names have been caught in the raid. The names of a dozen or more appear on the lists of those arrested.

ONLY HUSBAND WAS HELD

Mrs. Slattery Not Implicated in Charge of Stealing Truck
Joseph Slattery was arrested Saturday charged with the theft of a truck belonging to Miss Elizabeth Rogers, an actress, of 1011 Norris street, and held in \$5000 bail.

Miss Rogers reported that when she told a friend in a cafe that she was going to send for a truck was men for a table near by. Arriving home, she found a note which said that two men in a taxi had come for her truck.

An altercation with a taxi driver over a \$40 bill for carrying a truck to 3105 North Barton street, the Slattery home, furnished a clue which led to the man's arrest and his subsequent identification of James Fegy, of 2216 North Sixth street.

Detectives went to the Slattery home, a third floor on the east side, and say they found Slattery and his wife, Elizabeth, there. They searched the contents of the truck. It was reported erroneously at the time that Mrs. Slattery had been arrested and held with her husband.

Walt Mason's Brother Dead

Pendleton, Ore., Sept. 5.—By A. P.—Fred Mason, brother of Walt Mason, poet, is dead here from the effects of a drink of ammonia taken by mistake for medicine. His widow and a large family survive.

VARE CENTER CELEBRATES

Flag Raising, Parade and Athletic Contests Mark Labor Day

There was a flag raising yesterday at the George A. Vane Recreation Center, Twenty-sixth and Morris streets, under the auspices of the Parents' Community Association, the Tasker Patriotic Association, John P. Garland Post, No. 100, of the American Legion, the Keegan Community Club and other organizations.

More than three hundred children invited representing the Anthony Wayne Public School, St. Aloysius and St. Gabriel's Parochial Schools and the Smith Play ground.

The flag was raised by Harry Carlin, mascot of Garland Post.

In the morning a number of track events took place.

The 15-yard dash for boys between fourteen and sixteen was won by Salvatore Frasca, running high jump by Edwin March, basketball throw by Raymond Stanger and the 440-yard relay by the Vane Boys' Club.

In the events for boys of sixteen to eighteen, the 100-yard dash was won by M. Barzoo, running broad jump and running high jump by Frank Stanley, 100-yard relay by H. Weiss, running high jump by Frank Stanley, one-mile run by Charles McSorley and one-mile relay by Prince of Peace Club.

In the eighteen and over class, the 100-yard dash was won by H. Weiss, running high jump by Frank Stanley, in the sixteen to eighteen class, and M. Frasier, in the fourteen to sixteen class.

BANKERS PLAN SESSIONS

Forty-eight Yearly Meeting in New York October 2 to 6

New York, Sept. 5.—About 7000 representatives of the 22,000 member banks are expected to attend the forty-eighth annual meeting of the American Bankers' Association here October 2-6.

The program today includes among the speakers Rosalind McKenna, formerly Chancellor of the British Ecological and other chairmen of the London, Joint City and Midland Bank, who will discuss "Reparations and International Debt"; Thomas W. Lammont, of J. P. Morgan & Co., who will report on the American business viewpoint; Henry J. Allen, Governor of Kansas, who will talk on the responsibility of the Government for industrial justice and the relation of the Federal Reserve System to American business; "Public Health Assets" will be considered by Dr. George E. Vincent, head of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Veterans to Get New Home
General William C. Griffin Post No. 508, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will erect a new home at Fifth and Chestnut streets in Derby. The plot has been purchased and plans are being prepared for the building, which will be three stories with a gymnasium, a meeting room, a lounge room and an auditorium. The building will be stores in front of the building, which will be constructed of brick and limestone.

TARIFF PRECEDES BONUS MEASURE

Senate and House Conferees Refuse by 5 to 3 to Sidetrack Fordney Bill

MCCUMBER VOTED DOWN

By Associated Press
Washington, Sept. 5.—By a vote of five to three, Senate and House conferees refused today to sidetrack the Administration Tariff Bill for the Soldiers' Bonus measure.

Senators McCumber, Republican, and Simmons and Walsh, Democrats, voted to take up the bonus immediately, but opposing them were Senators Smoot, Republican, and Representatives Fordney, Longworth and Green, Republicans, and Garner, Democrat. Senator McLean, Republican, and Representative Collier, Democrat, and two other conferees were absent.

Today's meeting was the first to which the Democratic conferees had been invited since work on the tariff was begun two weeks ago. They were excluded after the vote and the Republicans went ahead with the re-writing of the tariff bill. Good progress in that direction was reported and Chairman McMillan, of the Senate managers believed the task would be finished by the end of this week.

Chairman Fordney, of the House managers, led the opposition to immediate consideration of the bonus bill. He argued that the tariff already had been passed nearly three years in the making and that it should not be laid aside. Urging quick action on the bonus, Chairman McCumber argued that an agreement on this measure probably could be reached within a few hours and called attention to the fact the bonus legislation had been pending a year longer than the tariff.

ENROLLMENT HEAVY

Lower Merion Institutions Open for Fall Term

Lower Merion Township schools opened today for the fall term, with an enrollment which will break all records, according to A. E. Downs, the superintendent.

When the youngsters re-entered the classrooms of the nine township schools they found nothing reminiscent of the "little red schoolhouse." During the summer all the buildings were re-painted, new fixtures were installed in many of them and a corps of new teachers engaged. A large appropriation for teachers' salaries in the township made it possible to bring teachers of high reputation from other school districts to Lower Merion.

WON'T WEAR THEM LONGER
Woolen hats from Paris, there is need for additional caps to protect the organizations from the effects of the "blue hosiery." It will be interesting to watch the outcome of the battle for American freedom. Follow it in the news columns of the Public Ledger. "Make It a Habit."

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POPE BLESSES STATUE

Madonna of Loretto Consecrated With Solemn Ceremony
Rome, Sept. 5.—(By A. P.)—Pope Pius today solemnly blessed and crowned the new statue of the Madonna of Loretto. The ceremony took place in the Sixtine Chapel in the presence of cardinals, patriarchs, archbishops, bishops and the highest personages in the civil and ecclesiastical branches of the papal court, besides several hundred of privileged and invited onlookers.

When the Pope had pronounced the Latin formula of blessing he placed upon the statue a solid gold crown. The Sixtine choir intoned the Salve Regina, while the Noble Swiss and Palatine guards presented arms.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the statue was enclosed in a rosewood case with glass panels and taken to the basilica of the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore.